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In re Application of: :  
Wakita et al. :  
Application No.: 09/763,014 :  
Filed: May 29, 2001 : Decision on Petition  
Attorney Docket No. IOMC-0039 :

This is a decision on the Petition Under 37 CFR 1.182 to Accept Amendment by a Substitute Specification Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(b)(3).

Applicant petitions the Office to enter an amendment to the specification by way of substitute specification.

Under 37 CFR 1.182, Questions not specifically provided for, a petition may be filed to address all situations not specifically provided for in the regulations. Under 37 CFR 1.121(b)(3), the specification may be amended by a substitute specification. As such, amendment by substitute specification is specifically provided for in the regulations.

Accordingly, the petition is **dismissed as immaterial**.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center Art Unit 2652 for consideration of the amendment by substitute specification.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0014.

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